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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hiromu OHARA

Application No.: 09/843,079

Filed: April 27, 2001

For: PCI RADIATION IMAGE
PROCESSING APPARATUS, PCI
RADIATION IMAGE DETECTING
APPARATUS, PCI RADIATION
IMAGE OUTPUTTING
APPARATUS, AND PCI IMAGE
DIAGNOSIS SUPPORT
APPARATUS

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of August 23, 2004.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge the fee of \$120.00 and any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: December 21, 2004

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